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The State Press Association.

The thirty-first annual convention of the South Carolina Press Association was held at White Stone Lithia Springs, Spartanburg County, last week, and it was one of the most interesting and enjoyable as well as one of the largest attended meetings in the history of the organization. The Association was in session from Wednesday morning until Saturday morning, two and three meetings being held each day, and from the beginning to the close there was not a dull moment in its proceedings.

This was the third annual convention the Association has held at White Stone, and the members were so well pleased with every thing that they decided to accept the invitation to meet there again next year. Since our last annual convention there the magnificent hotel and health-giving spring have changed hands, and is now owned by a stock company, of which Col. Samuel Sheftall is president and general manager. Col. Sheftall is the right man in the right place, and under his hands the property has been greatly improved. The improvements are still going on, and in the future White Stone will be both a summer and winter resort.

The natural situation of the grounds is extremely pretty, the magnificent hotel—a three-story brick building—being on the point of a ridge that slopes on three sides, and is surrounded by a thick grove of trees of original growth, mostly oaks. It is brilliantly lighted by electricity, and is supplied with all modern conveniences and comforts. A trolley line takes passengers to and from the railroad station to the hotel.

The White Stone Spring is on the side of a small creek and comes out of a solid rock, which forms the banks of the creek on that side. A pipe has been fixed into the rock, and the natural pressure of the spring forces the water up into a marble basin over which a substantial rustic pavilion has been built on a rock and cement foundation. The overflow of spring water is conveyed in a pipe from this basin to the bottling works. The demand for the water is increasing every year, and a large force of hands are kept busy bottling and shipping it all over the country.

A very interesting programme had been arranged for this meeting of the Association, and nearly all the members who had been appointed to prepare and read papers on the subjects assigned them came well prepared to perform their duty. The subjects of the papers brought out other of interest to the journalists, each of whom received new and practical ideas of our profession from the experience of our fellow-workers.

The meetings were held in one of the spacious parlors of the hotel, and at the first session Wednesday morning President Aull introduced Col. Sheftall, the general manager of White Stone, to the Association, who, in a few remarks gave the members a most cordial welcome. By request, W. W. Ball, of the News and Courier, responded to the welcome, and President Aull added a few words.

After the welcome meeting the officers submitted their reports, then several committees were appointed and the Association got down to business in earnest. There were a large number of guests at the hotel and they were invited to attend our meetings. Many of them did so, and they manifested a deep interest in our proceedings, especially in the interesting papers read before the Association and the discussions that followed.

Much important business of interest only to the members was transacted. Among other things a resolution was adopted looking to securing a libel law for the State that will meet the conditions of the day and which will be in line with the libel laws of other States. There appears to be no libel law in South Carolina except the old English common law, and the desire is to have a law that will be fair to the people of the State as well as to the newspapers. A committee of seven was appointed to look into the matter and bring it to the attention of the Legislature at its next session.

The annual address at this meeting was delivered Friday afternoon by Col. S. H. Hardwick, the brilliant and efficient passenger traffic manager of the Southern Railway, Washington, D. C., whose subject was "The Story of the South—the Impetus and Progress of Her Development." In the selection of Col. Hardwick as the orator for this convention, the Association was exceedingly fortunate. The address was not only interesting and eloquent, but a patriotic appeal to the men of the South and made a

deep impression. A portion of his address was devoted to the discussion of the proposed Federal control or direction of the railroads of our country, and he showed the dangers of such legislation by the national lawmakers, especially to the South. He made a striking appeal for freedom of the railroads, and backed all of his arguments in a most logical manner.

One of the most enjoyable features of the meeting was the banquet on Friday evening given by our genial host complimentary to the Association and a few invited guests. It was 10 o'clock when the doors of the spacious dining hall were thrown open and for the next three hours every editor, especially forgot the hardships of this life. An elaborate menu was served in fine style, and it was greatly enjoyed by the 100 or more ladies and gentlemen present. There were no regular toasts on the programme, but a most eloquent address was delivered by Hon. M. L. Smith, Speaker of the State House. He was followed by short addresses from Col. John T. Sloan, Hon. M. F. Ansel and the venerable Dr. James H. Carlisle. All of the speeches were well received and highly enjoyed, and everybody regretted that the hour for retiring had come.

On Saturday morning the Association held its final meeting, and after adopting resolutions of thanks to everybody who had extended the members any courtesies, adjourned sine die.

A fine orchestra of accomplished musicians is employed at the hotel, and renders sweet music at intervals during day and night. This, of course, is highly enjoyed by the guests.

Col. Sheftall, the manager, is ably assisted by his good wife, who is a most charming woman, and a clever force of clerks in the office. If you are contemplating a visit to the hotel for either health, recreation or pleasure, take our advice and go to White Stone Lithia Springs. If you visit there once you will surely go back again.

## An Address to The People.

The Central Prohibition Committee has issued the following address: To the people of Anderson County: You are to have a chance to express yourselves for or against the South Carolina liquor dispensary. There is to be no excitement, no beating of drums, and blowing of trumpets, but there is a quiet, steady determination upon the part of our citizens to bring this institution to the bar of public opinion.

It was promised that the dispensary was to be a "great moral institution." Has it met that expectation fairly?

It was promised that it would greatly reduce the sale of liquor, and many of us believed it, and determined to give it a fair trial. We are not pleased with results.

We are not pleased that the consumption of legalized poison should have increased every year until it last year reached the enormous total of \$3,500,000.00, and that dispensary officials have reached the point, as the daily papers recently reported, where they now refuse to give out information as to how much of the stuff they do sell.

It was promised that the revenue accruing from the dispensary would greatly reduce taxes. It has not done so. The tax rate in this county has almost doubled since the dispensary has been in vogue, notwithstanding the fact that the assessment has been raised from six to eleven millions during the same period. The assessment throughout the State has been increased proportionately, yet the rate for state purposes is higher in this year of grace 1905 than it has been for fifteen years while the deficit in the state treasury is greater than it has been for many years. It is evident, then, that the dispensary as a means of revenue has been a stupendous failure.

We are not pleased that beer shops or additional salerooms have been grafted on to the system—in violation of law, as many think—in order that the receipts of the moral institution might be increased and the volume of "business" grown.

We are not pleased that the liquor dispensary officers of this State, solemnly sworn to observe and uphold the law, should openly and flagrantly violate the law, requiring from preachers "written requests" for liquors, for fear that the sale of liquors might be reduced, as the law intended that it should be.

We are not pleased that the officers whom we have put in charge of the dispensary to see that the law is enforced, should think that we put them there to play a commercial venture—to coin dollars for a proud state at the expense of citizenship—to "push the sale" of poisonous liquor among the young men and among the helpless victims of fatal habit, and to fatten the State's treasury at the cost of those whom the State should be most solicitous to protect.

We are not pleased that men should more eagerly seek the "jobs" or positions on the State Board of Control in Columbia at \$400 a year than they seek the governorship of this proud commonwealth, and more eagerly than they seek seats in congress from South Carolina at \$5,000 a year.

And we regard it as most significant that those who were friendly to those who hoped most from the dispensary as a regulative measure, cannot longer avoid the stench of its moral atmosphere and are being driven to admit that the institution reeks with corruption and lawlessness and that the experiment has failed.

True, we get a little income from the dispensary. But at what a cost! Tens of thousands to draw out hundreds; we have heavier court dockets and court expenses and heavier taxes every year; we give our young men, at great economic loss, to the demon of drink; and, worst of all, we make our mother State the agent to furnish to them the means of debauching their characters and destroying their souls.

Some say that Anderson county "will not enforce" a prohibition law. They enforce it in Marlboro; can we not do as well as Marlboro? The Charlotte News, a week ago, showed how well they are enforcing it there; is public sentiment in Anderson county not as enlightened as it is in Marlboro? Our neighbors tell us that it is well enforced in many counties in Georgia, and we do not believe that the moral atmosphere and the standard of citizenship in this county is inferior to that of any counties in our sister State.

In Marlboro County the first convicted "blind tiger" keeper was promptly fined \$400. He moved to another town and opened up again.

He was promptly convicted again and fined \$500, when he quit the business in disgust. Anderson County will profit by her example.

Let us all, at the very beginning of this movement, pledge ourselves, as this committee does, to do our full duty in enforcing the law when we get it.

Certain citizens fear that to disturb the existing conditions is to take a step towards "high license" and open barrooms. They need never fear that a South Carolina Legislature will disregard the expressed wish of the voters in and county and public sentiment, in this county, has advanced too far for open barrooms to ever again be a real menace here.

Furthermore, the advocates of "high license" in the legislature will find themselves solidly opposed, not only by the present advocates of prohibition, but also by the upholders of the dispensary system; and they would be doomed in advance to a worse defeat than that which now awaits the dispensary. And, finally, under the present constitutional provisions, the municipal authorities cannot license, and the legislature cannot authorize them to license the sale of liquor, and it takes a two-thirds vote of the legislature to submit a proposed amendment of the constitution to the people and a majority vote of people and legislature to pass it.

We appeal, therefore, to the men and women of Anderson County to move in this matter, and to keep moving, until we have reached the only right solution; to consider the matter calmly, carefully and carefully, and with minds single to the moral welfare of their country, to do their duty in this matter in the fear of God.

Faithfully yours,

B. F. Martin, Chairman,

Rev. S. J. Cartledge,

Rev. W. W. Leathers,

J. W. Quattlebaum,

G. N. C. Coleman,

W. R. Osborn,

J. L. Sheridan, Secretary,

Central Prohibition Committee.

Wants the Temptation Removed.

Mr. Editor: We happen to be one of those unfortunates who can't refuse a drink of whiskey and we are ready to do all we can to put the dispensary out of business—the institution which sells the meanest whiskey we would never go to the trouble to get it some other way, and as for us, we want the dispensary voted out and then we will have no temptation.

We are not a young man growing up would likely remain to be sober men if we had prohibition. We ourselves would never have been a booze artist if prohibition had been in force some few years ago, and we know that the young men coming up now are in the same fix.

We want to see the dispensary voted out for our own special benefit, and we have heard a good many other drinking men say the same thing—that we want strictly prohibition and nothing less.

There is no use to mention the misery and trouble that the wife, mother and daughters experience on account of the dispensary.

A Boozie Artist.

Townville News.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Haley, of Oakway, were the guests of J. A. Gaines Sunday.

Misses Clara Hunt and Lennie Woolbright are visiting Miss Sallie Dickson in Westminster.

Rev. J. R. Earle, from Hollands, attended services at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Misses Julia Compton and Mary Dickson visited relatives in Anderson last week.

Mr. N. W. Grant and Mrs. James Grant spent Wednesday with Mrs. Moore at Oakway.

Prof. J. S. Harris will begin a school at Mt. Taber Monday.

Misses Dohna Meyers and Nita Bruce, of Oakway, were the guests of Miss Annie Campbell Sunday.

Little Miss Estelle Harris, of Rock Mart, Ga., is spending awhile with her grandfather, Handy Harris.

Prof. Evans, from North Carolina, will teach at Pine Grove this summer, beginning Monday.

Mrs. Jule Boggs spent a few days last week with Calhoun Boggs at Tokeena.

Prof. Graham goes to Hepzibah Monday to take charge of the school there.

Mr. and Mrs. Servetus Boggs, from Broyles, visited Rufus Boggs Wednesday.

Mrs. Nathan Sheriff, who has been seriously ill, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, from Tokeena, spent Sunday with C. D. Giles. Pansy.

Burgess Bridge News.

Farmers are making hay while the sun shines.

Mr. Earle spoke at Whitefield July 13th. Nine new members were received, and the prospects are bright for a large Farmers' Union there.

Miss Annie Rogers and the children of Whitefield Sunday School are preparing for children's day exercises and collection. These are always pleasant occasions.

Albert Bowlan, of Atlanta, Ga., and Fred Bowlan, of Red Hill, Ga., visited their father recently.

A family of skunks or pole cats recently took up their abode under the kitchen of P. C. Opt and ate about one hundred chickens, it requiring four to supply them a day. He thought opossums were eating them, until after many fruitless efforts his skunkship was caught in a steel trap. A few days later five young ones were discovered under the hen and shot. Is not this a big pole-cat tale?

E. Z. Brown has fine white Orpington chickens bought from John McElree, Columbia. It is likely these are the only ones of this kind in Anderson County. They were hatched May 24th and are growing rapidly.

It is rumored that Thos. Valentine and W. Q. Hammond will leave their lands in other hands, and live in Anderson in 1906. When will the tide turn from the city to the country? B.

In a train wreck on the Missouri Pacific railway every car except one went into the ditch at the side of the track, but not a person on the train was seriously injured. The train was running at 25 miles an hour, yet a car was damaged by the sudden stopping. The cars were new and heavy and of firm steel framework.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Many dead bodies are being found in the debris made by the flood in Gaugaino, Mex.

New Orleans sold her first bale of this year's cotton last Friday for 20 cents per pound.

The Savannah cotton exchange has started a crusade for the abolition of the government cotton reports.

John Wicher, aged 22, of Chicago, was arrested on Friday for drowning his six-months-old child in the river.

In blasting rock on the Pennsylvania railroad near Harrisburg, a premature explosion caused the death of eight men.

A railroad detective and an outlaw were killed and a second outlaw will die as a result of fighting following a Kansas hold-up.

The grand jury at Milwaukee has brought in 105 indictments against former county officials. Nearly all of them charge bribery.

A riot between niggers and white people occurred in New York. Several were killed. A negro interfering with a ball game caused the trouble.

Lightning struck a grocery store in the small town of Sweetwater, Tenn., and before the fire could be extinguished \$60,000 worth of property was destroyed.

On account of heavy rains that have fallen in the section of country around Huntsville, Ala., it is said that many farmers will have to abandon their cotton crops.

The American Cotton Manufacturers' Association wants representation at the time of the declaring of the August cotton report by the department of agriculture.

A case containing \$10,000 in jewelry, which had been given to an express company by a salesman for a New York firm and with which the driver had disappeared, was recovered.

Polyholders in the New York Mutual Life also want to know the worst, and they are petitioning for one of those old reliable brands of investigation—the kind the Equitable has always used.

Rates to Farmers' Institute.

Southern Railway announces rate of one first-class fare plus 25 cents for the round trip, (minimum rate 50 cents), to Calhoun and Cherry's Crossing, S. C., on account of the State Farmers' Institute, Clemson College, S. C., August 8-11, 1905.

Tickets to be sold August 6, 7, 8, with final limit August 13, 1905, from all points in South Carolina, including Augusta, Ga.

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